

Atlanta Environmental Infrastructure - Atlanta GA

**Proposed Recipient:** Army Corps of Engineers

**Address of Recipient:** Corps of Engineers, Mobile District P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628

**Amount of Request:** \$5,000,000

**Explanation of Request**

**Purpose:** Atlanta's wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment system consists of approximately 2,000 miles of sanitary and combined sewers, seven combined sewer overflow treatment plants, and other facilities much of which was originally built in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century and still in use today. Excessive overflows from the combined sewer system, coupled with sanitary sewer overflows and leaks in the separated area, are seriously impacting the metropolitan Atlanta regional water quality. The proposed project would improve surface water quality by providing combined sewer capacity relief to capture more stormwater and sewage flows and associated flood relief in several areas of the City.

**Why is it a good use of Taxpayer funds:** The proposed relief system would allow the flow volume, typically stored on surface streets, to enter the collection system. The City of Atlanta comprises only 10% of the 4.1 million population in the metropolitan Atlanta area. Therefore, federal funding would help alleviate the disproportionate cost burden which falls on Atlanta residents that are at or below the poverty level to pay for the infrastructure to support those that use City services but live elsewhere.